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### FARMERS' INSTITUTE

Had a Busy Day on the 3rd—Morning: Orchard Demonstration of Pruning and Spraying—Afternoon: Addresses by Messrs. Scott, Metcalfe and Winslow—Evening: First Annual Banquet.

Members of the Kelowna Farmers' Institute had a regular field day on Thursday, what between a demonstration of pruning and spraying in the morning, lectures in the afternoon and a banquet in the evening.

The demonstration was given in Mr. T. G. Speer's orchard, by Messrs. R. M. Winslow, provincial horticulturist, and B. Hoy, assistant horticulturist, and was witnessed by over 50 interested fruit-growers, who followed the proceedings of the experts with keen attention and regretted that more time could not be spared to go fully into details of the problems confronting horticulturists.

The afternoon session was held in the Opera House, and there was a good attendance, over 100 being present. After waiting for half an hour for President Speer, who was unavoidably detained, Mr. H. W. Raymer took the chair until the arrival of the former, and called upon Mr. J. C. Metcalfe as the first speaker.

Mr. Metcalfe opened his remarks by saying he had expected Mr. Scott would be called upon first, as he was full of information upon the work of all the branches of the Department of Agriculture, and the speaker did not know what form the meeting was to take, or whether the majority of the audience were fruit-growers or ranchers. However, he would take for his subject, "The Markets in the North-West." The prospects for a market for B. C. produce in the North-West were very good, owing to the rapid development of the country and the great increase in the growth of towns. All this development meant largely increased markets. There was also a wonderful expansion of railway systems throughout the prairies, which materially aided rapid development. B. C. had been supplying in the past about 15 per cent of the fruit consumed in the North-West provinces, but the proportion was not as much last year. The people of the Crow's Nest Pass country were supplied largely with American fruit, owing to the Great Northern railway running into that district from the States.

As to comparison between our fruit and that of Ontario and American fruit, there was no competition to speak of with Ontario fruit, as Ontario people were sticking to their old-fashioned methods of packing in baskets and barrels, and had not got over their habit of putting the small apples in the centre of the barrel. American fruit, however, was very different, being superior to B. C. fruit in packing and grading as a whole, and car-loads were uniform throughout. To gain an increased share of the market, B. C. must increase the supply of fruit. The Americans were supplying 50 per cent of the fruit consumed, Ontario 35 per cent., and B. C. 15 per cent. The Americans supplied citrus fruits in their season, which gave

them a hold on the market, but if B. C. people would pack and grade their fruit right there would be no difficulty in getting a market for it. American prices—that is, the prices charged to the retailer by the wholesaler—averaged higher than B. C. prices.

As to the question of selling methods, it was doubtful which was the best. The wholesale and jobbing houses in the North-West—what was termed the "American ring"—had a lot of bright men, to whom they paid big salaries. There were nine or ten firms in the combine. Instead of selling direct to them there were the alternatives of selling direct to the retailer or to the consumer. The first would necessitate having travellers, cold storage facilities, places of business, and other heavy expenses, and to keep the trade it would be necessary to handle early fruits and vegetables and citrus fruits. He did not think selling direct to the consumer was feasible at present. His own idea was that if the people of B. C. would raise the standard of the product and increase the supply of fruit, these wholesale people would come over here and buy. He was satisfied that a jobbing house could not be run at an expense of less than 25 per cent., reckoning on losses in collection, bad fruit and ordinary expenses of doing business, and accordingly the wholesalers would possibly not pay very high prices here, yet he thought dealing with them would perhaps be the best way of selling our fruit at present.

Our express rates were about as good as the American rates, and we also had the advantage of the duty. Points in the Crow's Nest, however, had 40 cents per hundred advantage in rates from the American side, but to points on the main line B.C., if anything, had an advantage over the Americans. Freight rates were not too bad, and American rates appeared to be higher. The cost of refrigeration was about the same on both sides of the line—averaging \$25 per car.

Summing up, Mr. Metcalfe said what seemed necessary was a campaign of education amongst fruit-growers in regard to the best varieties to grow for market and best adapted to our climate and soil, and the quantity of the product must be increased in order to give a continuous supply. The Okanagan valley was regarded very highly in the North-West as a fruit-growing district, and it was often put up to him when he was introduced to people as from B. C., if he was from the Okanagan. People on the prairie had rather an exaggerated idea of the Okanagan, including glorious sunsets, magnificent orchards and palatial homes. It rested with the fruit-growers to maintain this reputation, not of the exaggerated value of orchards and homes, but of the value of the Okanagan as a fruit-growing district.

As to co-operation in growing proper varieties for market, he thought the province should be

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controlled by about four associations, one each for Vancouver Island, the Lower Mainland, Okanagan, and Kootenay, which would not do away with local organisations, but would co-operate on prices, obtaining proper freight rates, and details of marketing. An important convention would be held at Kamloops about the middle of April, to re-organise the old B. C. Fruit Growers' Association and to meet representatives of the railways and of the North-West wholesale houses, and he urged the necessity of sending a representative, a good man thoroughly versed in rates and all questions affecting the fruit industry. The government would pay railway fares and allow \$3.00 per day towards hotel expenses.

Mr. Metcalfe concluded his address by inviting questions from any who desired to ask them, and a number of queries were made.

Replying to a question by Mr. G. K. Salvage as to the quantity of B. C. apples sold in Winnipeg, he said in 1908 there were only five car-loads out of thousands imported. The size of the market could be judged from the fact that the Grand Trunk handled 700 cars into Winnipeg, and they were supposed to have only a small share of the business. B. C. apples were scarcely known in Manitoba. There were no figures for 1909.

Answering a question as to the kind of apple most in demand in the North-West markets, he said any good red apple finds favour, including such varieties as Duchess, Wealthy, Northern Spy and Jonathan. Yellow Transparent, as an early apple, was also a seller. Cox's Orange Pippin was unknown over there, and the prairie people were not fond of yellow apples.

In reference to a statement made by Mr. Metcalfe that the Americans shipped only good

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ed in town on March 14th, and  
all desirous of joining are re-  
quested to make application im-  
mediately to any of the under-  
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## BOARD OF TRADE

## Monthly Meeting

At the regular monthly meeting of  
the Board of Trade, held in Row-  
cliffe's hall, there were only suffi-  
cient members present to form a quor-  
um, and the small amount of busi-  
ness on hand was quickly transacted.  
President DuMoulin presided.

The Secretary read a number of  
formal replies to copies of resolutions  
passed by the Associated Boards and  
relating to such matters as the ap-  
pointment of a mail clerk on the S.S.  
"Okanagan," construction of the  
Canadian Northern into the Okana-  
gan valley, inspection of bees, Mr.  
L. W. Hill, president of the Great  
Northern, wrote, that he had had  
reports concerning the Okanagan, and  
would be glad of further information.  
Hon. Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agri-  
culture, wrote that he would do his  
best to meet the wishes of the Asso-  
ciated Boards in regard to experi-  
mental stations.

The Cranbrook Board of Trade  
sent a copy of a resolution relating  
to the peddling of outside real estate  
by transient agents to the detriment  
of the locality in which they made  
sales. The resolution denounced meth-  
ods of the agents, and asked the  
Legislature to pass an amendment  
to the Municipal Clauses Act, which  
would levy a licence in municipalities  
of \$100 for six months on each tran-  
sient agent not occupying an office  
in the municipality, or, if so occupy-  
ing, who shall fail to give security  
to the Municipal Council that he will  
carry on business for at least a year  
in the premises.

After a short discussion, on mo-  
tion of Messrs. Copeland and Mc-  
Donald, the Board agreed to endorse  
the proposed amendment and the re-  
solution of the Cranbrook Board of  
Trade.

The management of the National  
Apple Show, Spokane, submitted a  
plan to send prize-winning exhibits  
at the next show to Chicago for ex-  
hibition. It was proposed to send  
about 10 car-loads, including five or  
six winners of car-load prizes and  
the winners of ten, five and single  
box and individual contests, and give  
an eight-day exhibition, with first-  
class band music and other attrac-  
tions. The total cost was estimated  
at \$36,300, all of which but \$10,000  
would be met by subscription from  
railway and land companies and from  
other sources. To obtain the bal-  
ance, it was proposed to charge \$1.25  
per square foot for exhibition space.  
The letter was handed over to the  
Publicity Committee for considera-  
tion.

The Seattle Chamber of Commerce  
asked the Board to consider Seattle  
as a site for the National Apple  
Show, should it be decided to move  
it from Spokane. Left in the hands  
of Mr. R. B. Kerr for reply.

The Secretary was instructed to  
reply to an enquiry from Summer-  
land as to the names of bee-keepers  
in this district, giving the desired  
information.

An account from G. H. E. Hudson  
for photos, \$5.00, was referred to  
the Publicity Committee, and one  
from Rowcliffe Bros., rent of hall,  
\$9.00, was ordered to be paid.

The only standing committee to  
have anything to report was that on  
agriculture, for which Mr. H. B.  
Burch reported, arrangements had  
been satisfactorily completed for ex-  
hibiting on the school of fruit packing.  
The Farmers' Exchange had agreed  
to give the use of their building, if  
sufficient room was available by Mon-  
day next, when the school opens, and  
the required number of pupils had  
been obtained.

On motion of Messrs. N. D. Mc-  
Tavish and G. C. Rose, Mr. A. E.  
Boyer was elected a member of the  
Board.

Mr. N. D. McTavish, who acted as  
Secretary in the absence of Mr. Kerr  
at Penticton, said the latter had asked  
him to consider the advisability  
of appointing a committee to investi-  
gate the value of the prize lands  
owned by the Board, as he had writ-  
ten the assessors of the districts in  
which they lie without having ob-  
tained any reply.

Mr. Rose suggested listing the lands  
with a reputable real estate agent  
in Spokane, Mr. H. L. Moody, and it  
was decided to do so, and that Messrs  
DeHart and Kerr be a committee to  
carry on negotiations.

Mr. B. McDonald suggested that  
the Board should approach the City  
Council and the C. P. R. to obtain  
improvements to the streets near the  
freight station and better switching  
facilities, and on motion of Messrs.  
Burch and Josselyn, it was resolv-  
ed: That in view of the heavy traf-  
fic that will be carried on this year  
along the streets adjacent to the C.  
P.R. slip, the Board of Trade respect-  
fully requests the City Council to  
carry out as soon as possible such  
improvements on these streets as  
will render them fit for hauling heavy  
loads.

On motion of Messrs. McDonald  
and Aivis, it was resolved: That in  
view of expected heavy fruit and  
produce crops and import and ex-  
port shipments during the coming  
season, the Board of Trade respect-  
fully requests the C. P. R. to put  
in some appliances for moving cars,  
as switching during the past has  
been very awkward.

The President suggested that a  
copy of the latter resolution be sent  
to the City Council with a request  
for their support and endorsement.  
Agreed.

The meeting thereafter adjourned.

## Weather Report

(Compiled by G. R. Binger, Observer.)

Feb.	Maximum Temp.	Minimum Temp.
1.	32.	22.
2.	30.	10.
3.	30.	16.
4.	34.	14.
5.	30.	10.
6.	40.	22.
7.	36.	19.
8.	32.	11.
9.	34.	14.
10.	38.	22.
11.	42.	20.
12.	32.	18.
13.	38.	22.
14.	32.	13.
15.	32.	4.
16.	20.	-3.
17.	22.	8.
18.	29.	7.
19.	29.	15.
20.	25.	13.
21.	10.	-9.
22.	12.	-18.
23.	22.	8.
24.	32.	15.
25.	40.	22.
26.	42.	27.
27.	46.	32.
28.	44.	27.

## RAIN AND SNOW FALL

Feb.	Snow Inches	Rain Inches
11.	.25	
13.	2.00	
14.	1.60	
17.	2.00	
19.	.50	
20.	2.00	
23.	1.00	
24.	.25	

Total, 9.60 inches, equal to .96  
inch of rain.

## WANTED

The Rector and Church Wardens  
will require the services of a competent  
organist for St. Michael and All An-  
gels' Church, April next. Information  
as to salary and duties may be had  
from Rev. T. Greene, the Rectory,  
Kelowna, to whom applications with  
copies of testimonials should be sent.  
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## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that 30 days  
after date, I, Gilbert Hassell, of South  
Okanagan Mission, B. C., intend to  
apply to the Superintendent of Pro-  
vincial Police, F. S. Hussey, of Vic-  
toria, for a renewal of a retail liquor  
licence for the Belle Vue Hotel, located  
at South Okanagan Mission, B. C.,  
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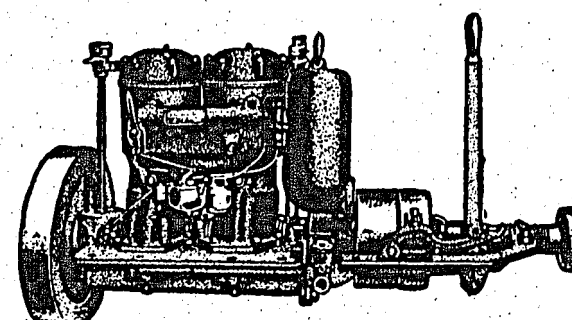
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## FARMERS' INSTITUTE

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enough fruit. They had not proved a commercial success in Oregon and Washington.

In this connection, a gentleman in the audience remarked that commercial pears were grown on the island of Jersey on dwarf trees.

As to shattering a hard-pan, sub-soil with dynamite, it undoubtedly did good if the hardpan was not too deep and there was better soil below, into which the roots could penetrate. But if the hardpan was deep it was not suitable for fruit culture, even when treated to a shaking up.

Asked regarding water-line, he said he would not like to put in fruit trees where water stood within three feet of the surface.

Mr. Winslow resumed his seat to the accompaniment of applause, and the chairman extended the thanks of the audience to the speakers, after which the meeting broke up, many of those present surrounding Mr. Winslow and plying him with a series of questions on matters of peculiar interest to themselves.

The first annual banquet of the Institute in the evening was productive of a very disappointing attendance. Instead of the hundred or so expected the total barely reached 30, of whom not half were farmers. Apologies for absence by Messrs. P. DuMoulin, manager of the Bank of Montreal, and J. A. MacKellie, editor of the "Vernon News," were read by Mr. T. G. Speer, who presided. The banquet was held in the lodge room, Raymer Block, and was satisfactorily purveyed by Messrs. Biggin & Poole.

The first toast on the list, as in duty bound, was "The King," when all rose and sang "God Save the King."

Next came "The Fruit Industry," coupled with the names of Messrs. T. W. Stirling and W. R. Pooley. Mr. Stirling being absent, Mr. Pooley replied in two or three dozen words.

"Our District" followed. Mr. E. M. Carruthers, in reply, said he supposed his name had been coupled with the toast as he was one of the oldest settlers present in point of residence. He gave some humorous reminiscences of early days, illustrating transportation difficulties as compared with present conditions, and traced the early beginnings of the fruit growing industry in the valley, giving credit to the pioneers in horticultural effort, and spoke hopefully of its future, provided proper care was taken in cultivation and fighting pests.

Mr. J. W. Jones also replied, and made a good speech, dwelling with pride on the advancement of the district as a fruit growing centre. The high quality of the fruit was evidenced by the remarkable success of victories won at exhibitions, but he wanted to see this backed up by more enthusiasm. The attendance at the afternoon meeting was gratifying, but he hoped to see larger numbers at future meetings. Organization was necessary to get better prices for fruit and to take steps to establish a reputation for packing high-grade fruit. They should stand together, be loyal to their district, and boost it all the time.

Mr. Geo. McKenzie sang "Tobermory" to the delight of his hearers, and he had to respond to an enthusiastic encore with "Stop Your Tickle, Jock!"

Mr. F. R. E. DeHart replied to "Fruit Exhibits," speaking at considerable length. He said he would confine himself to the subject of exhibits made in this country and the States, as Mr. Scott had spoken fully at the afternoon meeting on the exhibits made in England. Begin-

ing with the New Westminster show in 1907, he recited a long list of Kelowna's successes, including the gold medal of the North-West Fruit Growers' Association; 13 firsts and 1 second out of 14 entries at Spokane, 1909; 72 firsts, 64 seconds and 64 thirds at New Westminster, 1909; 11 firsts and 2 seconds at Spokane, 1909. In showing fruit for exhibition, the method of display and the pack counted heavily towards success, and he gave Mr. G. B. much credit in the latter regard for Kelowna's successes at Spokane, where the scoring on pack was so close that if Kelowna had dropped 2½ points on it they would have lost the \$2,000 prize.

He considered the 1909 results at Spokane very satisfactory, even if the prize money was not as large as in 1908. The Okanagan had carried off 85 per cent. of the prizes won by B. C., and Kelowna had three-fifths of the amount to her credit. He spoke with sympathy on the troubles of the man in charge of an exhibit, as referred to by Mr. Scott that afternoon, instancing such occurrences as the theft of two boxes of apples at Spokane last year. He held that apples for exhibition purposes should be polished, so as to be in the same condition as when prepared for eating. No one would think of taking an apple out of storage without cleaning it before eating, and the same should apply to apples for exhibition. He had obtained the finest apples for exhibition out of sod orchards. The black spot was an inconsistent kind of pest, and he had found it in many varying circumstances, and on that account believed it was not due to soil conditions but to an insect that stung the fruit. As to Mr. Jones' reference to boosting the district, he declared for boosting the whole Okanagan from end to end, which would result in greater benefit than boosting one particular part.

Mayor Sutherland replied "Our City," and expressed his pleasure at welcoming the Deputy Minister of Agriculture and his associates to the city. He thought much could be done for the betterment of local conditions by the Institute, the Board of Trade and other local associations uniting to get better rates and transportation facilities. He dwelt on the splendid country adjacent to Kelowna comprising three townships, or over 100 square miles, which included about 70,000 acres of good land. With this territory well settled, he judged Kelowna would have a population of 15,000 in the near future. The situation on the lake front was eminently desirable, and he looked forward to a large, prosperous and contented city.

Mr. R. B. Kerr spoke for "The Board of Trade." He said he had a most pleasing announcement to make, to the effect that this year would witness a large influx into the valley, judging by the continual stream of enquiries, of which he had answered four that morning. He had eight enquiries one day last week, seven of them from England, and many letters were from people who said they had made up their minds to come here. A number of them were people with plenty of money. He referred to the hope of improved transportation facilities at an early date through the proposed construction of the Great Northern branch line from Oroville to Penticton with a connecting steamer on the lake. Penticton would then be within 10 hours of Vancouver. The new line and its connections would give ready access to markets at the Coast and in the Boundary and Kootenay. He pointed out the advantages likely to be derived from Kelowna becoming a place of residence for retired farmers from the North-West, and quoted cases of people who preferred the climate of this district to that of California. Tobacco growing promised to become another valuable resource of the valley, as it had been discovered that Kelowna was the only place in Canada at which good cigar leaf could be grown. He concluded by prophesying that this year would be far and away the best that Kelowna had ever had.

With "The Kelowna Farmers' Institute" the names of Messrs. H. W. Raymer and D. McEachern were coupled. Mr. Raymer spoke of the decreasing interest shown in Institute work and the necessity of stimulating the farmers to take an active part in it. Although not now engaged in agriculture himself, he found himself amply repaid by the literature received as a member. He deprecated any proposal to subdivide the existing organization, mentioning that a proposal was on foot at Rutland to form an Institute there.

Mr. Speer explained that it was not an Institute but a Fruit Growers' Association that was mooted at Rutland.

Mr. Scott said that the department would not sanction the establishment of another Institute so near Kelowna.

Replying to the toast, Mr. McEachern thought that all such associations should be combined with the Institute into one, as when there were too many societies interest lagged.

Mr. Raymer brought up the matter of the resolution which was introduced by Mr. Speer at the Central Institute, asking for a grant from the government of \$500 to-

wards the cost of experiments in tobacco growing, which were really to determine that tobacco could be grown from Simlun Arm to south of Penticton. Although defeated by a very small majority, the resolution was a very important one, and he hoped the Deputy Minister would see his way clear to endeavour to get the grant.

For "The Press," Messrs. G. C. Rose and V. D. Wade replied. Mr. Rose spoke briefly, and claimed that the press of the Okanagan compared to advantage with the rural papers of the prairies, and was loyal to the district. He thought few people were disloyal, and that disinclination to shout and boost merely betrayed the contentment of the stilled ox, too lazy to stir because of his comfortable conditions.

Mr. Wade spoke as secretary of the Institute. He said the membership of the Institute was only 81, when it should be at least 200. The name had now been changed from Osoyoos to the more fitting one of Kelowna, which he hoped would be an inducement to join. The finances were weak, and he suggested that the City Council might make a grant to the Institute. He appealed to farmers to write him about any subject in regard to which they wanted information, and he would do his best to get it for them. A strong Institute would be an excellent advertisement for the town and district. At a meeting he had attended last year only 15 were present, today there were over 100, but he hoped next year a stride forward would be made, and that the attendance would number 200 on the next visit of Mr. Scott—and all paid-up, an important matter. He regretted to see such a small attendance at the banquet, and, speaking for the press, he would do his best to stir up more interest in the Institute.

Mr. Geo. McKenzie gave an Irish song in good style.

For "Our Visitors," Mr. Scott was the first to speak. He began by thanking the Institute for the kind hospitality shown to him and his colleagues, and he hoped to repeat the pleasure on future occasions. In the valley around Kelowna they had one of the most beautiful sites for fruit growing that he had ever seen, and he took pleasure in telling them that wherever he had handled Kelowna fruit it could not be beaten. He alluded to a statement made by Mr. Raymer and reported in a local paper in regard to awards to Kelowna at the R. H. S. Show in London of 1908 not being included in a group of awards shown in the government buildings at Victoria, and explained that no award was made to Kelowna fruit that year. He took the matter up with the judges, and they admitted that they had made a mistake and had overlooked the Kelowna exhibit. He emphasised the need of co-operation in order to establish a name for our fruit, as Hood River had done, which enabled them to get \$1 per box more in Victoria for no better fruit than the Okanagan product. Enquiries from the Old Country in regard to the fruit districts of B. C. were ten times more numerous this year than last, from 24 to 40 letters being received by the department daily. He agreed with Mr. Kerr as to the likely influx, and said the future of the district was not dependent upon the enhanced value of the land but upon what could be got out of it in crops, so that people could afford to pay \$300, \$500 or 600 per acre, and yet make good commercial dividends on their investment. He alluded to the ghastly conditions of the poor in congested London, as seen on his visit last year, and said we should be thankful we lived in a country like this. There would be a large influx of retired army and navy officers and business men, people who would not like to take up the drudgery of household duties in the evening of life, and there was the difficulty of obtaining domestic help. He praised the work of the Salvation Army in selecting immigrants, but thought it might be carried on on a broader basis. The government was giving the Salvation Army \$20,000 to assist their scheme, and he thought they might also establish a central depot to receive immigrants and might also give assisted passages. He concluded by congratulating the Institute in having the right man in the right place as secretary, and he stated that the government would take care to send to them only the best speakers, of whom Prof. Thornber would probably be one.

Mr. Metcalfe also responded, speaking briefly and to the point. The banquet was one of the best he had ever attended. This was not original, as he always said the same thing elsewhere. (Laughter.) He urged the text upon them, "More Fruit and Better Fruit," to secure the best markets, and they would have to measure up to the American standard.

Mr. Scott said he had omitted to refer to the matter brought up by Mr. Raymer regarding a grant in aid of experimentation in tobacco. He thought tobacco had been proved a success and that government help was not needed. The ground taken by Mr. Bowser was that if an individual was unable to conduct certain valuable experiments, then the government might come to his assistance.

Mr. Raymer explained that tobacco had been proved a success at Kelowna, but it was in regard to other points that experimentation was desired, and the proposed grant was to meet Mr. Holman's travelling expenses throughout the Okanagan valley, while engaged in instructing people in the cultivation of tobacco.

Mr. Scott replied that the matter really did not rest with him, and that he would have to get the consent of the government.

Mr. Winslow, in replying to "Our Visitors," spoke of the picking schools which were being carried on by the department. Arrangements were being perfected to hold a school at Kelowna, and it was hoped to have Mr. G. B. as instructor. More men of his standard were needed, and he hoped encouragement would be given at the local fair for packed boxes of fruit. The work had taken a great hold at Summerland and Vernon. The number of pupils was necessarily limited, and he hoped only the best would be selected who would be available for work this season. He had arranged with Mr. Hoy for additional demonstrations of pruning, of which probably two or three would be given within the next ten days. Better pruning and better packing were both important points. B. C. was beginning to be taken more notice of on the American side. He had a request from the editor of "Better Fruit," asking him to act as associate editor in order to get more stuff from B. C. He concluded by expressing the hope that he would see better and better meetings every time he came to Kelowna.

Mr. Kerr said he omitted to refer to the flavour of B. C. fruit, about which Lord Strathcona was understood to have uttered an unfavourable comparison with Hood River, in refutation of which the speaker drew attention to the cup given by the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, at the National Apple Show, Spokane, of 1908, for flavour, texture and colour, and won by Kelowna in competition against the world.

Mr. Metcalfe said he had found the majority of people who made complimentary remarks about the flavour of B. C. fruit came from Ontario. Mr. Scott referred to the test he had made at Toronto on this very point, as mentioned at the afternoon meeting, and said Gravenstein and Wealthy were the varieties selected.

Mr. B. Hoy was the last speaker to respond to "Our Visitors." He expressed his desire to do anything in his power to help the Kelowna Institute, and would come whenever desired and give as many pruning demonstrations as possible. A good deal had been said about getting members for the Institute but nothing about attendance. He held it was more important to get members to attend than even to get money from them. At Miss Rose's meeting—one of the best women speakers—there were not more than 15 people present. He thanked the Institute cordially for a very pleasant day.

Before adjournment, Mr. R. Sweny made a few brief remarks, deprecating the tendency to exaggeration in advertising matter descriptive of the valley. He held that quoting extraordinary crops created false impressions, which would react to the detriment of the district, and he could see no necessity in so doing when the average crops were good enough to mention. He also urged that nothing depreciatory of other places should be said, as no good was accomplished thereby.

The hour being midnight, the proceedings of a very pleasant and successful evening—despite the sparse attendance—were brought to a close by all joining hands and singing "Auld Lang Syne."

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apples, Mr. S. L. Long said he had seen in Victoria boxes of Rome Beauty apples from the States, all spotted and imperfect, stuff that Kelowna growers would not be allowed to ship.

In reply, Mr. Metcalfe said that apples last year were very bad, but were so scarce that people would take anything.

Answering an enquiry, he would recommend planting crab apples, especially Transcendent and Hyslop. They should be shipped in half-size boxes, which were also handy for pears. Good varieties of pears were Bartlett, Clairgeau and d'Anjou. He had not heard the Yellow Newtown apple mentioned on the prairies, and would not recommend planting it, on account of its colour. As a general rule, he would advise planting apples of good colour.

Answering enquiries as to other fruits, he said he would advise cutting out all varieties of plums in a projected orchard except Italian prunes for the main crop and perhaps a few Pond's Seedling and Grand Duke for the early part of the season. The great advantage of Italian prunes was that they sold readily fresh, but could be dried if there was no chance to market them otherwise. He recommended mixed cars of different varieties of fruit for the early part of the season. He did not know if B. C. peaches were earlier or later than Niagara peaches, as he had not seen any B. C. peaches last year. He thought B. C. tomatoes were earlier than Niagara. People spoke very highly of Kelowna tomatoes on the prairies. He would not ship them or any fruit to Winnipeg, as it was a slaughter market, and everything could be sold this side of Winnipeg.

Mr. Metcalfe was cordially applauded at the conclusion of his interesting remarks.

Mr. W. E. Scott, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, was the next speaker. He opened by expressing his pleasure at being present at such a large gathering of fruit-growers. It was his first appearance before them as Deputy Minister of Agriculture, and he hoped the confidence reposed in him by the government, when they selected him for the position, would not be misplaced. He had been engaged for 20 years farming and fruit-growing in the province, yet with his experience he found himself in a position hard to fill as successor to Mr. R. M. Palmer, who had done much for horticulture in the province, and whose loss had been a heavy one to the department. He also praised highly the work of Capt. Tatlow, while Minister of Agriculture, in systematising the Department and classifying its branches under different headings. He paid a tribute to the work of Mr. Hodson as superintendent of Farmers' Institutes, stating that membership had increased 1,000 in the past year under his superintendence. Twenty-five Women's Institutes had been started, and were doing excellent work. Some fruit growers did not see why they should join the Farmers' Institutes, but they would receive much benefit from the work carried on and discussions, and the literature issued by the government would repay them their membership fee many times over.

He would not touch on live stock during his remarks, as he understood there was little dairying carried on in the valley. The department now had a chief horticulturist, Mr. Winslow, and two assistants, Messrs. Hoy and Middleton, but more men were needed and would be put on as soon as possible. Mr. Winslow was doing valuable demonstration work, which was of much greater practical benefit to fruit growers than lectures. Poultry raising was a most profitable industry, and the government had organised a Provincial Poultry Association in connection with the department, with Mr. M. Jull, poultry expert, at the head of it. Mr. Jull was now engaged in getting out a bulletin on incubation and brooding which would be published soon.

It had been decided to use some of the funds of the Board of Horticulture for the purpose of holding schools of fruit packing, by means of which people were taught the theory of packing, and after that needed only practice to become expert. The Okanagan was the only part of the province as yet in which these schools had been held, having been made possible by the Okanagan Fruit Union,

who had supplied an expert Oregon fruit packer as instructor. But schools would be opened in the future in other parts of the province.

The government had provided \$10,000 for demonstration orchards, which would be run something after this fashion. A man would be chosen in a locality, a keen enthusiast, owning land, ten acres of which would be selected. The government would find the necessary trees and plant them for the owner of the land, and he would grow them under instructions from Mr. Winslow. The orchards would be valuable to demonstrate to new settlers proper orchard methods, and they would be started as soon as the department could get down to details. The expenditure would not be very much, as the orchards would soon be self-supporting. With the amount of money available he thought about 15 orchards could be started in different parts of the province.

He went on to speak of the forthcoming convention at Kamloops, alluded to by Mr. Metcalfe. It was important to secure better freight rates and marketing conditions, as, while we could grow the fruit, there was something wrong in its marketing. Referring to Mr. Long's statements, he said he had seen American apples selling in Victoria at \$3.50 per box, and better Okanagan fruit alongside of it fetching only \$2.50, which showed the necessity of establishing a name. Besides the question of better freight rates and meeting wholesalers from the Northwest, the Kamloops convention would be for the purpose of re-organising the B. C. Fruit Grower's Association. It was time that a move of the sort was made. The Association was supposed to represent the whole province, but the membership had dwindled away and it was doing no good, practical work. The government had resolved to adopt a new policy towards such associations. All government grants to Fruit, Poultry, Dairy and similar associations would be controlled by the Department of Agriculture, and an official of the department would be secretary of each association.

In the Budget Speech by the Hon. Mr. Bowser, allusion had been made to the difficulty of getting statistics of the number of trees planted, and similar information of agricultural progress. Of the forms sent out to Institutes only about 5 per cent. had been filled in and returned, and he urged the necessity of better attention to the matter.

He had some pleasant information to give the meeting. He had been summoned to a meeting of the Executive to tell them what he wanted so much money for, and he had apparently satisfied them, as they had given him all he asked. Last year, the appropriations for the Department of Agriculture totalled \$57,000; this year, the total was \$117,000. Large increases in grants to provincial associations had been made, and the B. C. Provincial Fairs Association had been allotted \$50,000. The government had been approached this year to square off debts incurred by fairs throughout the province, and had made grants to them but had taken the stand that it was the last time that any such grants would be made towards debts on buildings, etc. Future grants would be made strictly on a pro rata basis of membership. \$13,000 would be apportioned amongst the prize lists of fairs outside of Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster. Last year, the amount was \$8,000.

He wished to draw attention to the great potentialities and resources of the province, as mentioned in the Budget speech. The total manufactures of the province last year amounted to \$82,500,000, equal to \$315 per capita for every man, woman and child in the province, or over \$1,200 per head for every able-bodied man, a record unsurpassed by any other country in the world, he ventured to say.

Passing to his work at exhibitions in the East and in the Old Country, Mr. Scott gave some very interesting particulars. Last summer he had started for the East with a car and a half of fruit and exhibits relating to timber, sport, fishing, mining and other industries and resources. He went first to Toronto, where the exhibit was the centre of attraction. The value of the exhibit as an advertisement could be judged from the enormous attendance at the exhibition, which averaged 125,000 per day and rose to as high as 165,000. He had brought home very forcibly to Eastern Canadians that they could not hold a candle to B. C. in fruit growing. Some of them admitted

B. C.'s superiority in colour, but brought up the old stunt of flavour, so he had made a practical test by peeling apples, both from Ontario and B. C., and putting them on plates in such a way that the judges could not tell their place of origin. He had obtained Ontario men of impartial mind as judges, and on tasting the fruit they had given the decision to the B. C. apples every time for quality and flavour. As an instance of how Kelowna fruit had stood up well under handling, he said he had a shipment of Pond's Seedling plums from Stirling and Pitcairn which went six to the pound. They were shown at Toronto and Ottawa, yet had sold after much handling and packing at \$1.50 per crate. Much of the credit for the successful exhibition of fruit was due to Stirling & Pitcairn, who had kept him supplied. He believed much benefit would accrue from the exhibit, as many people at Toronto and Ottawa had expressed to him their intention of coming out to B. C.

He exhibited reproductions of the medals won by B. C. fruit in the Old Country. He had taken 735 boxes of apples over there last year and put them in cold storage, drawing on them as required for exhibition purposes. The province had won the gold medal of the Royal Horticultural Society for the fifth year in succession. He had shown only one or two individual exhibits from points such as Spence's Bridge, where there was no association to make a representative exhibit, as the work of handling the exhibits was too great now to permit of separation into a number, and in future exhibits would be made only from associations, Boards of Trade, or districts. Six bronze medals had been won the year before, but none last year—the awards were all silver or silver-gilt. The apple exhibit covered a large floor space owing to his manner of staging the fruit with a space between the boxes sufficient to permit of maiden-hair ferns being placed between as a break to the lines, much to the advantage of the appearance of the exhibit, he considered. Princess Louise had opened the show, and was so fascinated with the apples that she could hardly tear herself away. The advertising value of the exhibit was great, as he had to answer hundreds of enquiries, and he had met dozens of people in B. C. whom he had seen at the various shows in the Old Country. The influx this year would be much greater than ever before, owing to the political situation in the Old Land which was driving capital out of the country. He enumerated a long list of medals and distinctions won at various English and Scottish provincial shows, and he explained that gold medals would have been awarded in several instances instead of silver-gilt, had he been willing to pay the extra cost, the option having been offered.

A striking success was obtained at Islington, where a great stock show was held, not in medals or similar awards but in securing the interest and admiration of His Majesty the King. The space available for display was only 12 ft. by 6 ft., yet the King had made a special trip to the gallery to see the B. C. fruit—a thing which had never been done before. His Majesty spent twenty minutes there, and was very much pleased and interested in the fruit. This act had done much good, and he ventured to say B. C. was now much the best advertised province in Canada, in the Old Country.

A feature which might be enlarged was giving cinematograph views of B. C. At Edinburgh, he had to give four displays of these views per day in a well-filled hall, which would accommodate 700 people. It was no snap, this exhibition work, on one's feet from 10 a.m. till 10.30 p.m. with hundreds of people piled on one, asking questions. He had given 45 lectures, and Messrs. Bullock-Webster, Arthur Turner and Bickmore had each given a number. The assistance rendered by these gentlemen was most valuable.

One thing he wanted to mention—90 per cent. of the fruit shown did not come from the Okanagan, as had been stated. The correct proportion was about 60 per cent., 455 boxes being from the Okanagan.

Closing his address amidst loud applause, Mr. Scott invited questions, of which a number were put. Replying to a question as to whether a packing school could not be held in September or October, when more varieties of fruit would be available, he said the work of establishing these schools was just beginning and more schools would be held.

As to whether the poultry expert would give advice regarding diseases of which fowls had died, he said Mr. Jull would hold a post-mortem, if he could not diagnose a case otherwise. Questioned as to the Old Country as a market, he said it was no good at present except for Cox's Orange Pippin, and that variety sold only in Covent Garden. He had tried to sell six boxes of Cox's Orange Pippin in Edinburgh, but they were not in demand at any price. The British

public were fickle in regard to apples, as dealers influenced booms of certain varieties. Red apples sell best—such as Jonathan, Spitzenburg, Wagner, King, McIntosh Red, Rome Beauty (an especial favourite), Hubbardston Nonsuch and Northern Spy. The B. C. Spys were very bad with dry rot when he opened them up in London. It cost at present \$1.00 per box to send apples to England. The Panama canal might change things, but he did not see the necessity of considering the British market when an enormous one lay right at our doors, one that was not taken into consideration at present but would increase enormously, that afforded by Vancouver, Prince Rupert and all the great northern portion of the Province, which would develop with great rapidity incident on the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific.

He had no Winesaps with him and no Delicious. He had some Winter Banana, a delicious apple, but he did not consider it a good commercial variety. He would not advise people to go in heavily for Cox's Orange.

Mr. R. Storey said King of Tompkins and Northern Spy fetched more in the British market than any other kinds of apples, and in reply Mr. Scott said this applied to Eastern Canadian apples, but the prices obtained were much inferior to those for Oregon apples.

Answering a query as to the market in Australia, he said he thought a trade could be worked up in the Australian off-season, which was our season, but he did not think it was necessary when there was a good market at home.

As to general market conditions, he said, if prospects materialized this year, there would be a large crop all over, and we would have to face competition from Oregon and Washington, but if we could maintain the excellence of pick put up by Stirling & Pitcairn, the market would be assured. (Applause.)

Mr. R. M. Winslow, provincial horticulturist, was the last speaker. He said he had not had sufficient time in the morning to talk at length on the subject of spraying, and he was not altogether satisfied with the demonstration. The apparatus he used was not the only pump in the world, but he had found it very satisfactory. Plenty of pressure was necessary to do good spraying. Some of the old orchards round Kelowna had woolly aphids, also oyster shell scale and European scale, and pressure was needed to combat them. If San Jose scale should come into the valley, it would be found that 90 per cent. of the spraying was not done properly. They had to be thorough at the Coast in order to fight pests, and it was a credit to this district and its climate that the orchards were in such good condition, considering the spraying that was done.

Mr. T. G. Speer asked if spraying with pure water would not be of value during the growing season. He had been told that the leaves were the mouths of the trees, and that spraying with water would be of benefit.

Mr. Winslow said in reply that any such operation would have to be done several times in a day to have any results, and, as the dryness of the climate was one of the chief reasons of local success in fruit growing, a man who would deliberately spoil it should be spanked. (Laughter and applause.)

Asked by Mr. Salvage if the Baldwin spot or dry rot could be checked on Northern Spys, Mr. Winslow said dry rot develops even in storage, especially on Northern Spy and Baldwin. There was no true bitter rot in the district, as that disease required a temperature of 70 degrees night and day and moisture to develop it. It was not yet definitely known what dry rot was; it did not appear to be either a fungus or an insect pest. Large fruits got the rot more readily than small ones, and young trees therefore showed it because they had not steadied down to a normal production. It was due largely to defective sap conditions and to bad sub-soils. He quoted the case of the Coldstream Northern Spy orchard, which suffered from seepage and dry rot developed. The Northern Spy required a fairly light soil, well drained and deep. Some of the soils on the flat land in the Kelowna district were not suitable for Northern Spy, he considered. The best remedy for the rot was to plant varieties not susceptible to it. The disease existed in California, and he had been told the experience there was that it disappeared when the trees got older. Many people were working on the problem now, and probably a solution would be found in time. If trees were stunted for potash or if there was too much nitrogen, the trouble would occur. Too much water should not be given, and apples subject to the disease should be marketed as soon as possible and not kept in storage.

Answering questions on other subjects, Mr. Winslow said it would pay to subsoil and drain low lands for fruit. Dwarf trees might be better on such soil, as the roots did not go down so deep, but he did not think they would pay as they did not grow

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### LAND ACT

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TAKE NOTICE that H. T. Meugens, of Kelowna, occupation book-keeper, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the N.E. corner of Lot 4053, thence north 20 chains; thence east 20 chains; thence south 20 chains; thence west 20 chains.

Hubert Theodore Meugens.  
Dated 3rd March, 1910.  
31-9

### NOTICE

Water Act, 1900  
Part VI, Division 2, Section 85

Thirty days after date the Belgo-Canadian Fruit Lands Company, a body corporate in the Province of British Columbia, intends to apply to the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council for permission to construct its irrigation works in accordance with the maps and plans now open for public inspection at the Belgo-Canadian Fruit Lands Company's Engineer's office, on the said Company's lands at Black Mountain, near the City of Kelowna.

Dated, 10th February, 1910.  
F. E. R. WOLLASTON,  
Secretary.

### Notice

Notice is hereby given, that the partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned, under the firm name of Kelowna Manufacturing Company, has this day been dissolved. The undersigned Frank E. Small has retired from the business. All the liabilities of the dissolved firm will be settled by the new firm of Kelowna Manufacturing Company, and all debts due to the dissolved firm are to be paid to the said new firm.

Dated at Kelowna, B. C., the 1st day of March, 1910.

F. E. SMALL,  
R. C. REED.

Witness:  
R. B. KERR. 32-2

### Notice

Persons having Furniture, Cook Stoves, Tools, etc., to dispose of should write to W. Kaines, Vernon, who will visit all lake ports about second week in March to buy to any amount. 30-4

## WALL PAPERS

We have just received sample books of the very latest patterns in Wall Papers. It will soon be spring, and if you intend to renovate your home or any particular room in it, a look through our stock will make it an easy matter, instead of a task, in deciding what is suitable. Large stock to choose from and prices the lowest.

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## Local and Personal News

Mr. C. Quinn returned from the  
Coast on Friday.

Mr. J. Gibb returned from Spokane  
on Thursday last.

Mr. R. B. Kerr was a visitor to  
Penticton yesterday.

Mr. W. Barnes came down from  
Salmon Arm yesterday.

Mr. E. R. Bailey left on Saturday  
for a visit to Vancouver.

Mr. Axel Eutin left yesterday for  
a trip to Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Morrison re-  
turned from the Coast on Saturday.

Mr. S. T. Elliott spent a week-  
end business visit at Penticton.

Mr. James Harvey, Jr., was a pas-  
senger to Vancouver on Monday.

Mr. F. R. E. DeHart spent a cou-  
ple of days in Enderby this week,  
returning yesterday.

The Kelowna Benevolent Society  
will meet at the home of Mrs. Mor-  
rison, sr., on Monday, March 14th,  
at 3.30 p.m.—Con.

Mr. T. W. Morden, now of Pincher  
Creek, arrived on Saturday for a few  
days' visit to his old home, leaving  
on the return trip this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Forrest Forbes,  
who had been visiting Mr. Forbes'  
parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Martin,  
left yesterday for their home at  
Grand Coulee, Sask.

A meeting of the Kelowna Farm-  
ers' Institute will be held in Ray-  
mer's small hall, at 3 p.m. on March  
10th, to hear lectures from Mr. D.  
W. Sutherland on "Bees," and Mr.  
T. Hill on "Spraying and Pruning."

Next Sunday morning Rev. D. J.  
Welsh will preach a special sermon  
to children. Miss Dorothy Evans  
will sing. A cordial invitation is ex-  
tended to parents to be present  
with their children at this service.  
The evening subject will be, "A  
Good Investment."—Con.

The Y. P. S. of the Baptist church  
meets every Monday evening at 7.45.  
Great interest is being taken in the  
studies in Social Reform. Next Mon-  
day evening the subject is, "What  
to do for the Criminal." Mr. J. B.  
Knowles will open the discussion.  
There is a hearty welcome for all  
interested to be present and take  
some part in the discussion.—Con.

The S.S. "Aberdeen" was badly  
damaged by collision with the car-  
riage during the high wind on Sa-  
turday afternoon, a large hole being  
stove in her starboard side, and some  
damage was also done to her ma-  
chinery. She proceeded to Okanagan  
Landing for repairs, which were  
speedily effected and she is in ser-  
vice again.

We regret to report that Capt.  
Knight met with a serious accident  
on Monday afternoon at the corner  
of Bernard Ave. and Water St. He  
was driving, and his horse was scar-  
ed by a passing motor car and col-  
lided with a heavy team and wagon  
with the result that the Captain was  
thrown out on his head, sustaining  
some bad bruises and a strained neck.  
He received immediate medical at-  
tention and, although delirious on Mon-  
day night, according to latest re-  
ports, is making fair progress to-  
wards recovery.

A short circuit occurred on Friday  
evening on the electric lighting wires  
in the upper storey of the Cox Block,  
on Bernard Ave., occupied by Mrs.  
W. G. Russell, which came near caus-  
ing a serious fire and wholesale dam-  
age to the entire lighting system,  
had the transformer in front of the  
building burned out. Where the  
short circuit occurred the wires were  
completely consumed and the wall  
was scorched. Mrs. Russell gave the  
alarm to the Power House, and dan-  
ger was averted and repairs prompt-  
ly made. The cause of the short  
circuit is unknown.

Following the fire on Wednesday  
last week, Thursday evening pro-  
duced another scare. First, the lights  
went out for about 15 minutes, and  
had scarcely come on again before  
a fire alarm was given and the Bri-  
gade turned out in hot haste, only  
to find that the beginnings of what  
might have been a disastrous fire  
had been quenched with a few buck-  
ets of water. The fire began in a  
pile of bark and chips at the back  
of Mr. K. F. Oxley's store, and was  
first seen by Mr. J. W. Wilks. The  
flames were then shooting up seven  
or eight feet and scorching the cor-  
ner of the building. He threw two  
or three jugs of water on the blaze  
without much result and then gave  
the alarm. Timely assistance put the  
fire out in time, and the Brigade did  
not have to use their hose. As in the  
Rowcliffe warehouse fire, nothing  
definite is known as to what started  
the blaze, but suspicion points to cer-  
tain children in town who have been  
caught at the same game before, and  
who are rapidly qualifying for a life  
of crime. Parents who fail to check  
children in such deviltry are sowing  
for themselves a rich harvest of  
shame and remorse in years to come.

Miss Irene Begbie left for the Old  
Country on Friday.

Rev. S. J. Thompson returned on  
Friday from a visit to the Coast.

The Public School report is una-  
voidably held over till next week.

BORN.—To the wife of Mr. A. E.  
Boyer, on March 5th, a son.

BORN.—To the wife of Mr. C. B.  
Daniel, on March 6th, a son—still-  
born.

The Fire Brigade have definitely de-  
cided to hold their ball on Friday,  
April 1st, and tickets, price \$2.00  
each, will be on sale this week.

Mrs. Byron McDonald will receive  
for the first time since her marriage  
on Tuesday, March 15th, from 4 to  
6 p.m., at the home of her mother,  
Mrs. Hardie, who will receive with  
her for the last time before leaving  
for Vancouver.—Con.

The engineer at the Power House  
had to shut off the lights for about  
twenty minutes on Thursday night  
in order to tighten a loose bolt  
in the engine which threatened to  
cause a bad wreck, but was discov-  
ered in time.

We are asked by the Secretary of  
the Hospital to state that donations  
of vegetables, fruit, dairy produce,  
eggs, etc., will be gratefully received  
at the Hospital. If more convenient  
any contributions may be left at  
the shop of the D. W. Crowley Co.,  
Ltd. k.s.

Mr. Geo. E. Ritchie has secured the  
contract for the erection of a \$6-  
000 cannery building for the Kelow-  
na Canning Co. at their new site at  
the C. P. R. slip, adjacent to the build-  
ing of the Kelowna Farmers' Ex-  
change. Construction will probably  
commence next week.

The fruit packing school will open  
on Monday, probably in the Farmers'  
Exchange building, under the direc-  
tion of Mr. J. Gibb. The hours will  
be from 9 a.m. to 11.30 a.m., and  
from 1.30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Intending  
pupils should enroll at once. See  
adv.

An Irish entertainment will be given  
in the Methodist church, under  
the presidency of Mayor Sutherland,  
on the evening of St. Patrick's Day,  
March 17th. Rev. S. J. Thompson  
will deliver his popular and humor-  
ous lecture entitled, "Ireland and the  
Irish," and a choice programme of  
Irish songs will be given by well-  
known local talent. See bills.

The S.S. "Okanagan" came into  
port on Thursday with a jury  
panel of extraordinary and by no means  
handsome appearance, being some-  
thing in the shape of an army car-  
tridge—crimped in from half way up  
—but it seems to answer the pur-  
pose with efficiency, and there is no ap-  
parent diminution of the boat's steer-  
ing powers. The "Okanagan" has  
also borrowed the "York's" whistle,  
which is an improvement for the  
better so far as audibility at a dis-  
tance is concerned.

Appointments appearing in last  
week's "B. C. Gazette" included Mr.  
Leonard Norris, of Vernon, to be Re-  
gistrar of the County Court of Yale,  
holden at Vernon, in the place of  
Mr. Henry Frederick Wilmot, resign-  
ed; Mr. Henry Frederick Wilmot, of  
Vernon, to be Deputy District Regis-  
trar of the Supreme Court Registry  
at Vernon; and Mr. James Moore  
Robinson, of Summerland, to be a  
member of the Board of Investiga-  
tion under the "Water Act, 1909."

The Eileen Maguire concert on  
Wednesday, March 23rd, promises to  
be a splendid entertainment. Miss  
Maguire is claimed to be the Irish  
what Jessie McLachlan is to the  
Scots. She is supported by Miss Lucy  
Webbing, entertainer, the original  
"Little Lord Fauntleroy," who will  
appear with Mr. Walter McRaye, hu-  
mourist, in a playlet and other en-  
tertaining sketches. Mr. McRaye is  
already favourably known to Kelow-  
na audiences. The concert is under  
the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of the  
Presbyterian Church, and should be  
patronized liberally.

The naval debate on Friday night  
filled the Benvoulin church to the  
doors, and keen interest was taken  
by the spectators in the battle of  
words. The affirmative—for the es-  
tablishment of a Canadian navy—was  
ably espoused by Messrs. J. Suther-  
land, of Kelowna, and Roy Dolsen  
of Benvoulin; and the negative side  
was championed by Mr. C. H. Leath-  
ley and Dr. Baker, of Rutland. Rev.  
A. W. K. Herdman presided, and the  
Judges of points were Rev. D. J.  
Welsh, convener; Rev. E. B. Glass  
and Mr. N. D. McTavish. Decision  
was given for the affirmative. Vari-  
ety was lent to the proceedings by  
an entertaining programme of music.  
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realised by a collection for the Hos-  
pital.

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## NEWS OF THE DOMINION

By a vote of 23 to 15, the Ruth-erford Liberal government of Al-berta, after a long drawn-out debate, was sustained on March 3rd in the division of the house on the Great Waterways Railway agreement.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co. will spend a large sum upon its irri-gation systems in the Bow river val-ley, Alberta. The company already has 1,600 miles of canals and ditches, and with the proposed expenditure 800,000 acres additional will be ir-rigated.

J. S. Dennis, assistant to the second vice-president of the Canadian Pa-cific Railway Company, who returned recently to Calgary from Montreal, states that the Company's British Columbia land department is to be extended by the tie and timber branch supplying ties and timber from the company's lands in southern British Columbia.

The battle of words still rages in the Naval debate, says a despatch from Ottawa. It was over a month ago that Sir Wilfrid Laurier moved the second reading of the Bill, and threw the proposed fleet into the maelstrom of parody. Since that time it has been buffeted about by the cross currents of partisanship, until to-day it is stranded high and dry on the reefs of verbosity. And relief is not yet in sight.

The plea of privilege proved the strong card in the Foster-MacDonald libel action, which was concluded on Saturday night, the jury returning a verdict to the effect that while Mr. Foster had acted in good faith, as manager of the Union Trust Com-pany, his position as a public man and a candidate for North Toronto, had rendered him a fit subject for newspaper criticism, and the state-ments made about him by Mr. Mac-Donald were not such as to make him liable under the law of libel. The jury spent five hours in arriv-ing at a verdict, Mr. Foster will ap-pear.

The result of the conference of the clergymen of the town of Glace Bay, N.S., with the officials of the Do-minion Coal company and the United Mine Workers in regard to the present strike situation, was given to the press last week, and it would appear that a settlement of the trouble between the men and the company is as far off as it has been since the calling of the strike. Gen-eral manager Butler in his statement before the meeting places the posi-tion of the company before the men and the U.M.W.A. and the answer of that union appears to be that they will accept nothing short of their original demands of recognition by the company, with the result that the situation remains practically un-changed and that the interest of the clergy has resulted in nothing being done or promised in the way of a settlement. The militia have been withdrawn.

What is probably the worst acci-dent in the history of the mountain section of the C. P. R., occurred on March 5th near Rogers Pass, where an avalanche of snow descended, car-rying with it tons of rocks, boulders, and uprooted trees from the moun-tainside. With incredible force and swiftness this mountainous mass swept upon a party of 61 track-men and employees who were work-ing at clearing the track of another slide that occurred the previous even-ing. Of the entire party, it is be-lieved not one remains to tell the exact story of the accident, all being buried beneath the avalanche to a depth of 50 feet or carried into the deep canyon. Later reports place the number of killed at 92.

Elsewhere along the C. P. R. line trouble was experienced last week, causing considerable delay to trains. At Lytton a big rock and mud slide covered the tracks. A long section of the track was washed out, leaving a gully 30 feet deep. To resume traf-fic it was necessary to build a tem-porary trestle 150 feet long around the miniature chasm. There were also a succession of snow and mud-slides at Keefer's Camp 16, Spitz-zum and Penny's. East of Kam-loops the company had to cope with even larger slides at Albert Canyon, Glacier, Downie, Bear Creek, Illecille-waet and Field.

## NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

According to the Westbank corre-spondent of the Vernon News, Mr. D. E. Gellatly, is going to put in a cold storage plant.

The Summerland Board of Trade is offering three prizes for four pithy, pointed sentences of not more than ten words each on an average, for advertising slips for fruit boxes.

The Provincial government will in-augurate 15 experimental orchards, which will be converted or develop-ed into demonstration farms. \$10,000 appears in the Estimates for this purpose.

Six men were fined \$10 each in the Fernie police court recently for having taken matches, pipes, tobacco, etc., with them into the mines, in violation of the provisions of the Coal Mines Regulations Act.

Mr. James Bulger, master shipbuild-er of the C. P. R. marine, came over from Nelson on Monday last to arrange for the construction of two new boats that are to be built here. —Okanagan Landing Notes, Vernon News.

The freshets of last week did con-siderable damage in Vernon and vi-cinity. In that city the water from the melting snow flooded down-town cellars and washed out culverts and roadways; while several washouts oc-curred along the S. & O. tracks.

The Summerland Agricultural So-ciety was organized last week, with the following officers: President, C. J. Thomson; Vice-President, D. H. Watson; Sec.-Treas., R. Pollock; Pro-visional Directors, J. M. Sutherland, J. L. Logie and R. H. Agur. The an-nual subscription fee was placed at two dollars.

A well-known lady resident of Re-velstoke was last week attacked by a Jap with a knife at the door of her home, and then in the street when she essayed to get away from her assailant. The Jap demanded money, and when refused, threatened to kill Mrs. Sibbald, whose arms were terribly slashed in warding off the blows, but fortunately none of the many wounds are considered fatal. The criminal was speedily captured by the police.

An explosion at the Western Ex-plosives company plant at Tunstall Bay, Bowen Island, Monday evening last, resulted in John O'Brien being so severely burned that he died later in the hospital. O'Brien was em-ployed in wheeling cars of prepared dynamite to the packing-house, and in the course of this work the front of his clothing became saturated with dynamite. He was in the bunkhouse after supper and struck a match to light his pipe. The glowing head of the match dropped on his clothing, a sheet of flame shot up and O'Brien was picked up burned from the neck down.

An act respecting the liens of me-chanics, wage earners and others has been introduced into the Provincial parliament by the Attorney-General. This act makes wages a first lien upon (1) any works upon which men have been employed while earning the wages; (2) also upon the material furnished for such work, and (3) the land upon which the works are situated to the extent of the increased value thus conferred upon the land. Any agreement made to the effect that the act shall not apply shall be null and void. Such liens are to take priority of mortgages. Any device by owners or contractors to evade this act is to be null and void.

A large private game preserve is planned for Creston. A syndicate of Calgary capitalists have purchased 1200 acres at the summit of Goat mountain, near Creston, from the Canadian Pacific Railway. The park is well watered with natural springs and lakes, and makes an ideal game preserve. It will be fenced and stock-ed with game of all kinds, and placed in charge of an experienced game warden. The Calgaryans intend to build residences at the foot of the mountain to which they will remove with their families. Some will make Creston their home and others will reside there during a part of the year only.

Summerland Conservative Associa-tion has passed a resolution in ap-preciation of Martin Burrell's action on the navy question.

A man was held up on the streets of New Westminster on the night of March 3rd and relieved of a gold watch and chain and \$180. He was knocked senseless by the two men who waylaid him.

The Postmaster-General has acce-eded to the wish of the people of New Alberni for the re-naming of the town Port Alberni. The change of name took effect on March 1st, and already the local board of trade has altered its title to coincide with this change.

An appropriation of approximate-ly \$3,500,000 for betterments and im-provements to be carried out this year on the Pacific division of the Canadian Pacific was recently made by the board of directors. Among the proposed works are wharves and buildings to facilitate the handling of fruit on Okanagan lake, which will be erected at Okanagan Landing, Kel-lowna, Summerland, Peachland, Pen-tiction and Vernon.

By a vote of 7 to 5, the Vancou-ver City Council has decided to adopt the single tax system, in so far as it applied to the taxing of building im-provements on real estate, and for this year, at least, there is to be no tax levied on buildings in the City. The exemption last year was 75 per cent., but the new Council has decid-ed to go one better and take off the levy altogether.

Snowslides at Ymir have done much damage. The boiler-room, with boilers, dynamo, and the superinten-dent's house at the Ymir mine have been completely wrecked, the loss be-ing some \$15,000. The watchman had a narrow escape. At the Wilcox mine, the bunkhouse and dining-room have been carried away. Allan Mc-Donald and Dan Chisholm, who were asleep in it at the time, were seri-ously injured and had to be taken to the hospital. The loss at the Wilcox will probably be \$1,500.

The bill respecting the Victoria, Vancouver & Eastern Railway has been reported by the railway com-mittee of the Dominion parliament, with a proviso, at the suggestion of Mr. Cowan, M.P. for Vancouver, that all extensions be kept within Cana-dian territory. The bill asks for the extension of the time for construc-tion from Princeton westward. The V. V. & E. is practically the Great Northern, and its affairs provided one of the most spectacular fights ever witnessed in the railway com-mittee when legislation was passed in 1905. Martin Burrell had charge of the bill.

John Houston, the veteran news-paperman of British Columbia, an ex-member of the Provincial legis-lature and ex-mayor of Nelson, who lately founded the Fort George Tri-bune, had the unusual experience of reading his own obituary last week and appreciations of the service that he has rendered to the country, and Nelson in particular, during his varied and chequered career. He was taken ill at Fort George several weeks ago, and in order to obtain treatment was taken to Quesnel. On the way out he was reported to have died, which was responsible for the various eulogies of him that appear-ed in the daily papers. Later advices denied his death, and said that he had arrived at Quesnel safely, and was much improved in health. At Nelson, where it was proposed to in-ter the remains, preparations for a public funeral were already under way. As Mark Twain once said, the account of John's death was "great-ly exaggerated." It is the lot of very few of us to learn what splendid characters we are before we depart this life, but John Houston will no doubt read with gratification the sug-gary things said about him by the Nelson Daily News and all the Coast dailies. It is quite worth while be-ing reported dead if only to come to life after the obituary has been published. The only drawback is that henceforth John will have to live up to the character created for him.

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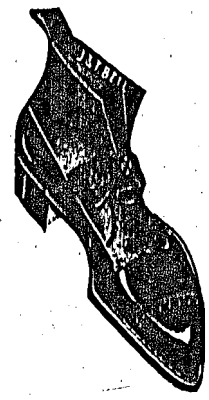
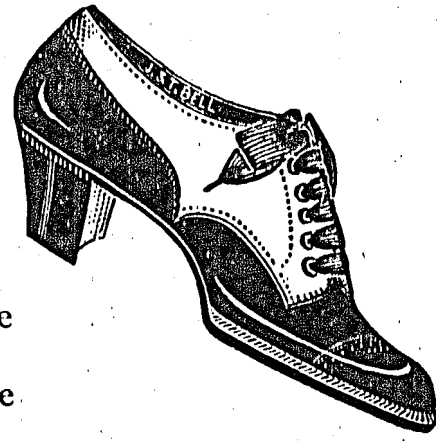
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One of W. Grieve's horses slipped into a cesspool a few days ago while being worked. After a good deal of splashing and fuss the animal was hauled out by means of a rope. He was a much stronger animal when he came out than when he fell in.—Summerland Review.

The Morrin-Thompson Company, with stores at Peachland and Phoe-nix, are going to open a store at some point in the Similkameen. Although final location has not been announced it is thought that Otter Flat or Princeton is likely to be se-lected.—Hedley Gazette.

Mr. Geo. H. Cowan, member of the Dominion parliament for Vancouver, has received a request by telegraph asking him to address a meeting of electors there at an early date, ex-plainning what is all really meant by the Naval Bill and the many speeches made thereon.

Premier McBride, in moving the second reading of the bill to provide for an act to authorize the repur-chase by the Crown of railway sub-sidy lands, explained that the meas-ure was introduced primarily to en-able the government to consummate negotiations now proceeding with the Canadian Pacific Co. for the repurchase of lands granted years ago by the Provincial government of the day to the Columbia & Western and the B. C. Southern railways. The premier called attention to the fact that the bill provided that any agreement entered into for the re-purchase of railway subsidy lands would have to be ratified by the legislature. Premier McBride de-clared that the repurchase of these lands, if a reasonable bargain could be struck, would be very much in the interests of the people of British Columbia owing to the fact that with the lands in the hands of the govern-ment the development of the Koo-tenay, Osoyoos and Similkameen dis-tricts would be greatly accelerated.

Half of Grand Forks, the famous creek, metropolis in the Klondike, was burned on March 2nd, when a fire started in the Grand Hotel.

The English cricket eleven defeat-ed the South African eleven in the test match at Johannesburg, Trans-vaal, which ended on March 4th, by three wickets.

Sixty are dead and many injured as the result of a magazine explosion in the main shaft of the Treadwell mine, Juneau, Alaska, on March 3rd. Twenty-three bodies have been re-covered.

One hundred and eighteen dead in the train overwhelmed by the Wel-lington snowslide is the estimate made by Seattle newspapers. Of this number, 84 are passengers, railroad employees and postal clerks, and the remainder railroad labourers. Many of the bodies will never be recover-ed, lying as they are at the bottom of a deep gulch and covered with acbris.

In reply to a question in the Bri-tish House of Commons as to the details of the ministry's programme, Premier Asquith said that the in-tervention of the government, subject to unforeseen contingencies, was to ask the House to dispose of the budget as soon as a resolution in regard to the Lords had been passed through the Commons. Premier Asquith an-nounced that the government's in-tervention was to get the proposals re-garding the power of the Lords on the statute-book in shape of an Act of Parliament at the earliest possible moment. The Premier declared that unless the government found itself in a position that would ensure that the proposals would not only mostly pass the Commons, but that they could be passed into law, the govern-ment would not continue in office.

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